

### SOCIAL INSURANCE.

The following committee on Social Insurance has been appointed for Sacramento County: E. M. Wilder, chairman; W. A. Beattie, J. Parker Dillon.

### STANFORD UNIVERSITY MEDICAL SCHOOL. STANFORD CLINICAL SOCIETY.

The Cooper Clinical Society has been reorganized and the name changed to "The Stanford Clinical Society." The meetings are held on the first Monday of each month at the Clinical Building of the Medical School, Sacramento and Webster streets, at 8:15 p. m.

The members of the State Medical Society of California are cordially invited to attend the meetings.

The first meeting of the year will be held on Monday evening, September 11, 1916, at 8:15, and Dr. A. W. Hewlett, Professor of Medicine, will discuss the following subject: "The Toxic Effect of Urea on Normal Individuals."

HARRY E. ALDERSON, President.  
GEORGE D. BARNETT, Secretary.

### NAVY RESERVE.

Washington, July 17, 1916.

At the examination recently held in various cities throughout the United States the following named medical men successfully passed the examination for appointment as assistant surgeon in the Medical Reserve Corps, with a view to subsequent examination for appointment in the Medical Corps of the Navy:

James A. Halpin, M. D., Washington, D. C.  
William D. Heaton, M. D., Wahoo, Neb.  
Aubrey M. Larsen, M. D., Salt Lake City, Utah.  
Lincoln Humphreys, M. D., Argenta, Arkansas.  
Theo. Edward Cox, M. D., Cleveland, Ohio.  
Arthur W. Hoaglund, M. D., Minneapolis, Minn.  
Carroll H. Francis, M. D., Camden, N. J.  
Harold L. Jensen, M. D., San Francisco, Cal.

### REPORT OF THE MEETING OF THE STATE BOARD OF HEALTH ON AUG. 5, 1916.

The regular monthly meeting of the State Board of Health was held at Sacramento on August 5, 1916. The following members were present: Drs. George E. Ebright, F. F. Gundrum, Edward F. Glaser, Robert A. Peers and Wilbur A. Sawyer.

Three appointments were made to fill vacancies on the regular staff. Nine inspectors were appointed to serve without pay from the state in controlling typhoid fever in the West Side oil fields of Kern County. These men are under salary from the county and cities involved. The temporary appointment of eight men as health inspectors for the purpose of excluding poliomyelitis cases and contacts by inspecting transcontinental trains was confirmed.

By the following resolution the State Board of Health changed its system of preventing the introduction of poliomyelitis into California, and adopted a method uniform with that in Oregon and Washington:

"Resolved, That the transcontinental railroads entering California be requested to co-operate with the State Board of Health by having their conductors and station agents notify local health officers, on cards furnished by the board, of the arrival of travelers from points in which poliomyelitis is epidemic, in uniformity with the procedure now in effect in Washington and Oregon; and be it further

"Resolved, That the present system of border inspection by employees of the Board, be discontinued on August 25th, if the arrangement with the railroads has been consummated."

Regulations for the prevention of poliomyelitis were amended and adopted by the board.

A petition was received from citizens of Modoc County asking the board to continue the quarantine against rabies. The following action was taken:

"Resolved, That the quarantine against rabies in Modoc and Lassen counties is necessary and shall be continued until six months after the last reported case."

The failure of certain health officers to comply with the law by reporting cases of communicable diseases to the State Board of Health was discussed, and the following resolution was adopted:

"Whereas, Dr. Harry O. Hund, health officer of Ross; Dr. J. C. Bainbridge, health officer of Santa Barbara County; Dr. W. E. Downing, health officer of Rio Vista; Dr. S. McL. Doherty, health officer of Napa County, and Dr. J. W. Reese, health officer of Perris, have failed to file any reports regarding the presence or absence of communicable diseases during the months of April, May, June and July, 1916, in accordance with the law, although repeatedly warned; therefore be it

"Resolved, That the local authorities be requested to remove them from office and to appoint efficient health officers in their places, and that the names of the delinquents be published in connection with the minutes of this meeting."

On the recommendation of Mr. C. G. Gillespie, Director of the Bureau of Sanitary Engineering, the following permits were granted:

To the City of Santa Rosa, a temporary permit to supply water.

To the Visalia City Water Company, a permanent permit to supply water.

To the City of Kingsburg, a temporary permit to dispose of sewage on its sewer farm.

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To the City of Lompoc, a permanent permit to dispose of sewage into Santa Ynez River after clarification.

The use of sewage in irrigating green vegetables was forbidden in the following resolution:

"Resolved, That sewage or sewage-polluted water shall not be used for irrigating vegetables, berries, low-growing fruits, or green corn intended to be used for human consumption; and be it further

"Resolved, That sewage or sewage-polluted water may be used for irrigating vegetables or grains which are harvested in the dry state, such as beans; or vegetables, grains, or alfalfa used exclusively as food for stock, with the exception that dairy cattle shall not be pastured on land under irrigation by sewage; or trees bearing fruits or nuts."

The use of human excreta, or night-soil, in fertilizing or irrigating vegetables or fruits was forbidden by resolution.

It was ordered that the attention of local health officers be called to the fact that the discharge of sewage through wells into ground waters is in violation of the law, and that health officers be instructed to take such legal steps as may be necessary to cause the abatement of the practice.

The offer of the Chlorine Sterilization Equipment Company to loan to the State Board of Health a portable liquid chlorine machine for use in the emergency sterilization of public water supplies was accepted, and the thanks of the Board were extended to the Company.

Certificates as registered nurse were granted to 152 nurses who had passed the examination held by the Bureau of Registration of Nurses on June 13 and 14, in Los Angeles, San Francisco and Sacramento. Out of 197 applicants the above number passed. One certificate was granted through reciprocity.

The Sierra Hospital at Sonoma was accredited as a school for nurses for one year.

Hearings were then held in cases of alleged violations of the foods and drugs act and appropriate actions were taken.

W. A. SAWYER, Secretary.